

REMARKS

Claims 1-2 and 4-6 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended. No new matter is added.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-2 and 4-6 are allowed, conditioned upon correction of a formality required by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Because the formality is overcome for the reasons described below, claims 1-2 and 4-6 are in condition for allowance.

As agreed upon during the April 12 personal interview, Applicants' clarify claim 1 consistent with the suggestion of the Board. Claim 1 is now concise and definite. Withdrawal of the object is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-2 and 4-6 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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